

The lands are hereby classified for public purpose use as school sites and/or other school facilities, 43 CFR 2410, 2430.4 (a) and (c). The White Pine County School District intends to use the land to construct and operate a kindergarten through twelfth grade school for residents in Lund and nearby communities.

The lease and or patent, when finalized, will be subject to the provisions of the Recreation and Public Purposes Act and applicable regulations of the Secretary of the Interior, and will contain the following reservations to the United States:

1. All valid existing rights documented on the official public land records at the time of lease/patent issuance.
2. A right-of-way thereon for ditches or canals constructed by the authority of the United States, Act of August 30, 1890 (43 U.S.C. 945).
3. All minerals shall be reserved to the United States, together with the right to prospect for, mine, and remove the minerals.

The land is not required for any federal purpose. The classification for lease/purchase is consistent with the Bureau's planning area. Detailed information, concerning this action is available for review at the Bureau Land Management, Ely Field Office, Ely, NV 89301.

Upon publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the above described land will be segregated from all forms of appropriation under the public lands laws, except for recreation and public purposes.

For a period of 45 days from the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, interested parties may submit comments regarding this action to the Assistant Field Manager, Nonrenewable Resources, at the address listed above. Any adverse comments will be reviewed by the State Director who may sustain, vacate, or modify this realty action. In the absence of any adverse comments, the classification of the lands described in this Notice will become effective 60 days from the date of publication in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: November 30, 1999.

**Eric K. Luse,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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#### Amendment of Proposed Withdrawal; Oregon

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management proposes to amend its withdrawal application dated April 17, 1998, by adding 1.4 acres of recently acquired lands from surface entry and mining to protect the facilities and unique values of the Row River Trail. This notice does not alter or extend the 2 year segregative effect of the original notice other than adding the 1.4 acres of Federal land. The lands have been and will remain open to mineral leasing.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** Comments and requests for a public meeting must be received by February 9, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be sent to the Oregon/Washington State Director, BLM, P.O. Box 2965, Portland, Oregon 97208-2965.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Charles R. Roy, BLM Oregon/Washington State Office, 503-952-6189.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On April 17, 1998, a petition/application was approved for consideration by the Assistant Secretary, Lands and Minerals Management, allowing the Bureau of Land Management to study the proposed 196.07 acres of Federal land. A notice of proposed withdrawal was published in the **Federal Register** on May 14, 1998, 63 FR 26824, segregating the public lands from settlement, sale, location, or entry under the general land laws, including the United States mining laws (30 U.S.C. Ch. 2 (1994)), but not from leasing under the mineral leasing laws, subject to valid existing rights, for a period of two years from the date of publication in the **Federal Register**. This notice adds the following described lands to the application:

#### Willamette Meridian

The portions of the following lands as more particularly identified and described by metes and bounds in the official records of the Bureau of Land Management, Oregon/Washington State Office and the Eugene District Office, Eugene, Oregon:

T. 21 S., R. 3 W.,

Sec. 1, lot 4 and Donation Land Claim No. 60.

Sec. 2, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ 4.

The areas described aggregate approximately 1.4 acres in Lane County.

The purpose of the proposed withdrawal would be to protect the facilities and unique recreational values of the approximate 14 miles of improved recreational trail converted from an abandoned railroad right-of-way.

For a period of 30 days from the date of publication of this notice, all persons who wish to submit comments, suggestions, or objections in connection with the proposed amendment to the withdrawal application may present their views in writing to the State Director at the address indicated above.

The lands added to the original application will be segregated as specified above unless the application is denied or canceled or the withdrawal is approved prior to that date. The temporary land uses which may be permitted during this segregative period include licenses, permits, rights-of-way, and disposal of vegetative resources other than under the mining laws.

Dated: December 22, 1999.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Minerals Management Service

#### Outer Continental Shelf (OCS), Request for Information and Interest in a Commercial Sand and Gravel Lease Sale Offshore Northern New Jersey

**AGENCY:** Minerals Management Service (MMS), Interior.

**ACTION:** Request for Information and Interest (RFII).

**SUMMARY:** In 1996, the MMS received a request from a private company for a competitive sand and gravel commercial lease sale offshore northern New Jersey. A RFII was published in the **Federal Register** on May 21, 1996 (Vol. 61, No. 99). The MMS deferred further action, that is, preparing an environmental impact statement (EIS) after the company advised that they were pursuing other sources of sand and gravel. In 1998, and again in 1999, the company requested that MMS end the deferral of the competitive lease sale process and prepare an EIS. Because a significant amount of time has passed, MMS has decided to issue another RFII and to focus the area being considered to a much smaller one than that identified in the 1996 request. This smaller, more focused area reflects comments received on the earlier RFII